GHOST TOWN

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With colossal dimensions and a permanent concentration of workers, oil refineries sometimes look like industrial metropolises.

A symbol of the industrial revolution, they were of enormous contribution to social development through the production of various raw materials that radically changed the way we live. However, its operation, as well as some of the materials produced there, are responsible for tragic environmental consequences.

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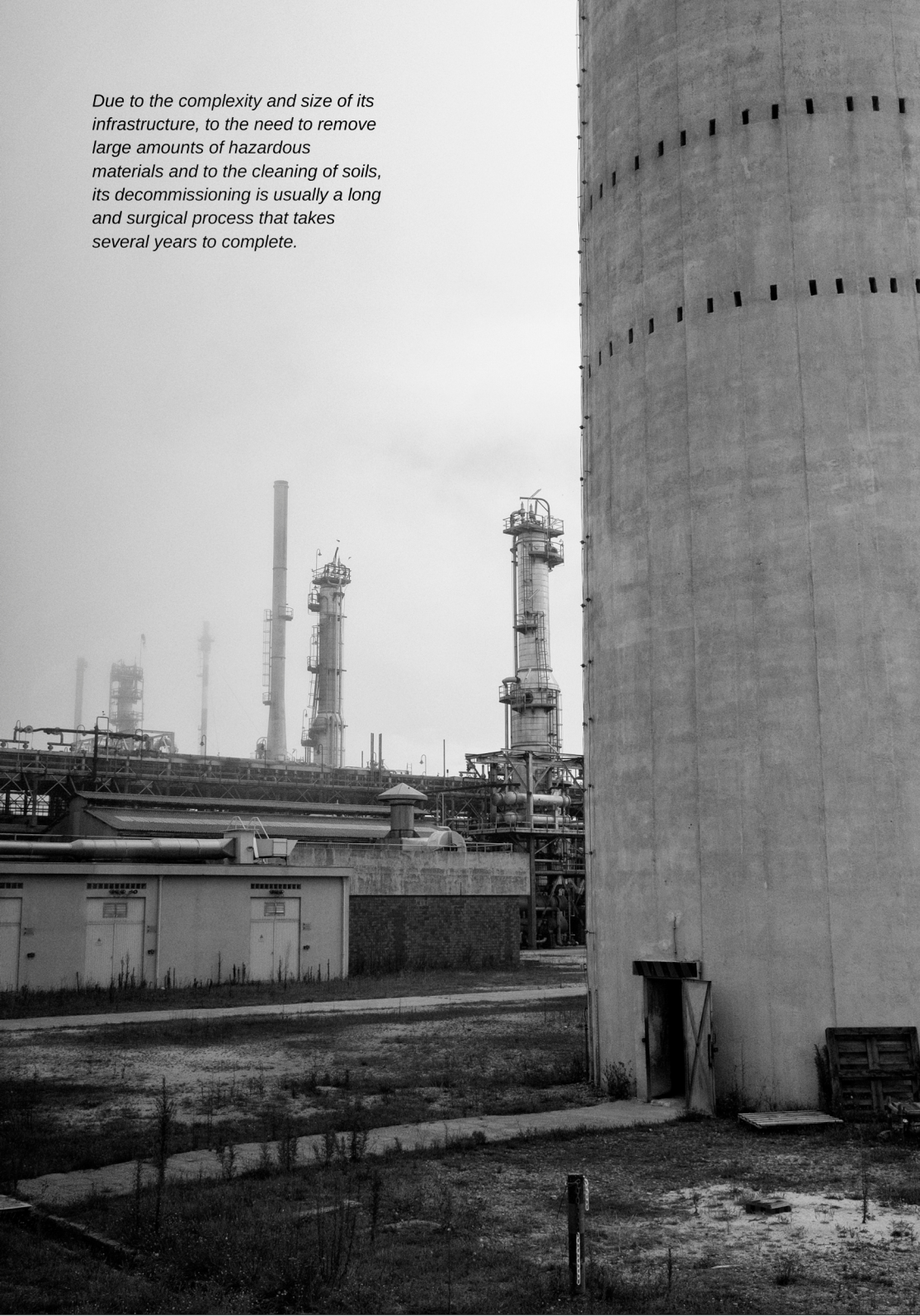

Due to the complexity and size of its infrastructure, to the need to remove large amounts of hazardous materials and to the cleaning of soils, its decommissioning is usually a long and surgical process that takes several years to complete.

These images were taken in a refinery in the process of being dismantled, a product of the current energy transition. In a total state of stillness, the structures now seem abandoned and nature has gradually begun to claim control of the terrain.

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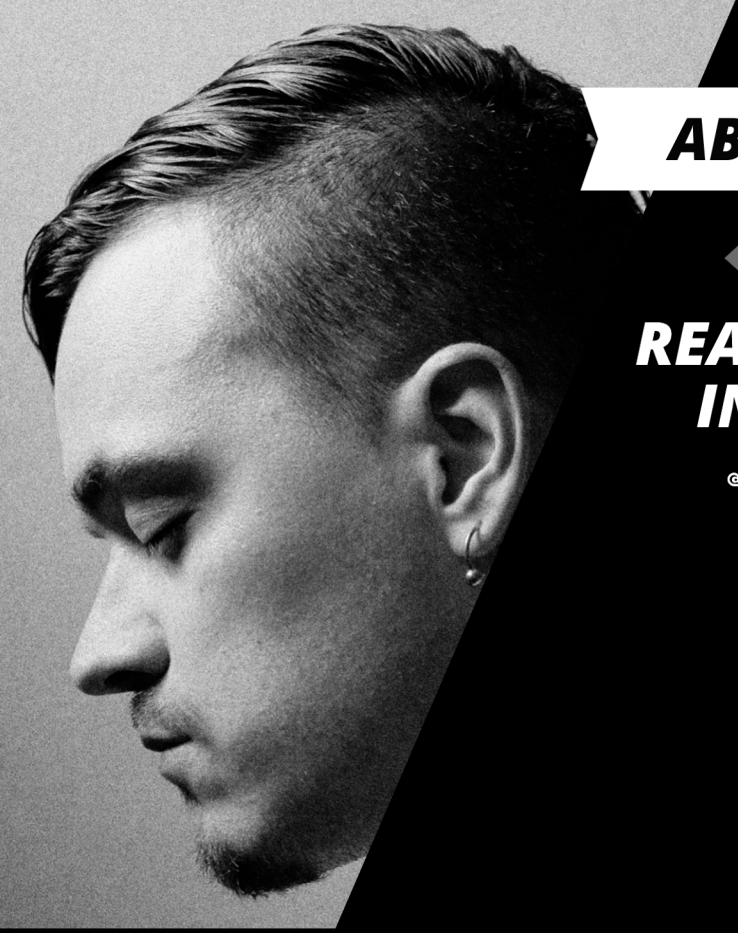

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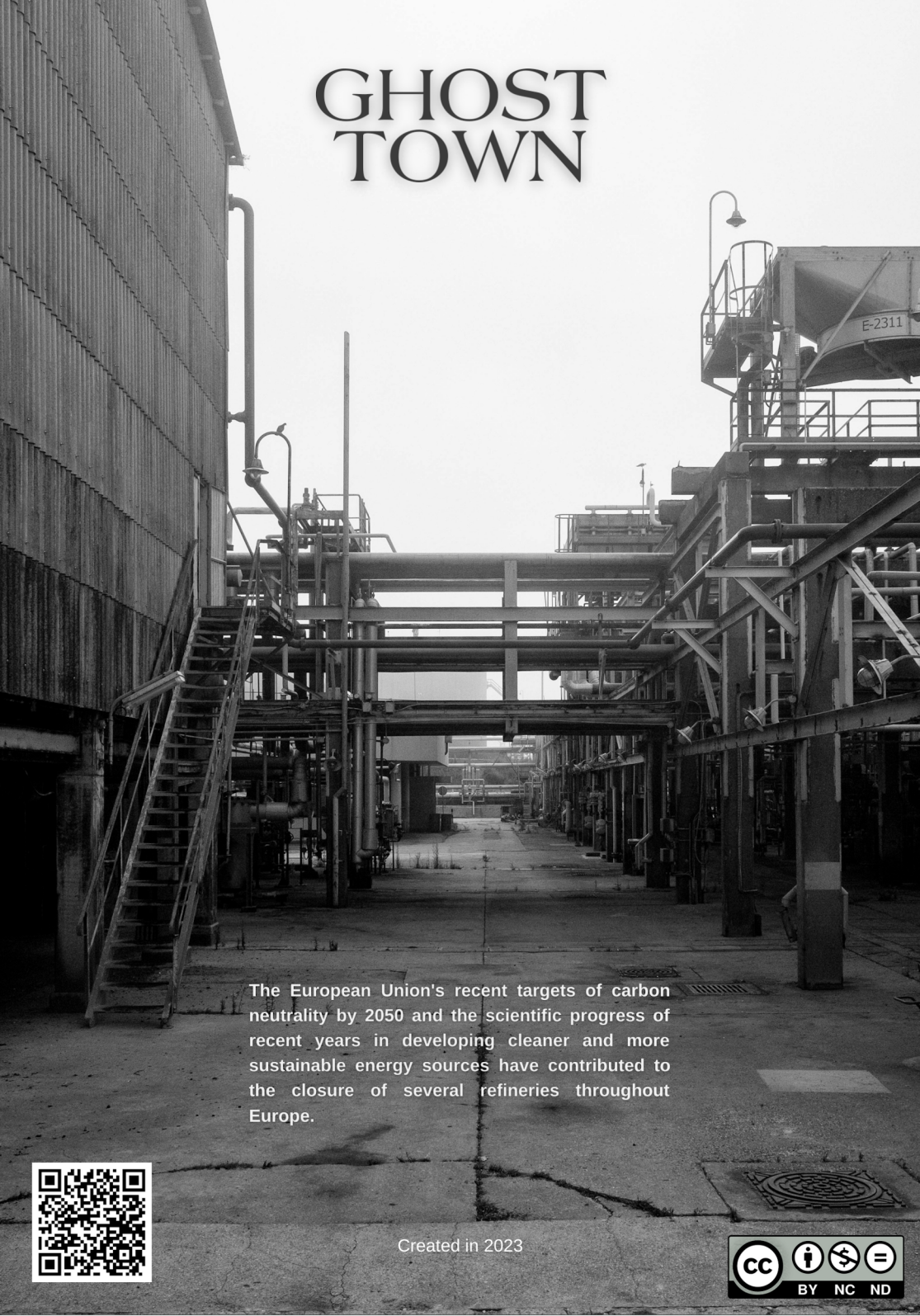

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